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Friend of the Court-DNR partnership hunting down child support delinquents

MOUNT CLEMENS, Mich. – A new partnership between the Macomb County Friend of the Court and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will start "thinning the numbers" of child support absconders in Macomb County using an unusual type of bait.

The Macomb County Friend of the Court has begun hunting down individuals behind on their child support payments and comparing their information with DNR hunting/sporting license records.

Anyone at least two months behind on child support payments and who have not made any effort to contact Friend of the Court will have all hunting/sporting licenses (not just deer hunting licenses) suspended.

"Our goal is to get individuals to appear at the Friend of the Court to make arrangements to pay their child support," said Lynn Davidson, Macomb County Friend of the Court. "We are not going after those who have already made payment arrangements."

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Of the 40,000 people on the court's caseload, 8,900 have hunting/sporting licenses. The Friend of the Court estimates that 10 to 20 percent of the 8,900 license holders may qualify to have their licenses suspended.

Those behind on their child support payments are urged to call the Macomb County Friend of the Court at 586-469-5160

About Macomb County

Macomb County is an enriching community in Southeastern Michigan that has one of the state's fastest rates of growth. Its 834,000 residents make it Michigan's third-largest county, with direct access to Lake St. Clair and Anchor Bay, and a host of cultural and entertainment options. Its highly skilled workforce and investment in new and expanding businesses make it open to enterprise. Active civic leadership translates into balanced budgets and Michigan's second-lowest tax rate. An increasingly diverse population and high quality of life make Macomb County accessible to all.